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C O N F I D E N T I A L THE HAGUE 4805

E.O. 11652: GDS 12/31/79

TAGS: OVIP (SCHLESINGER, JAMES R.)

SUBJ: MEETING WITH MOD VREDELING

REF: THE HAGUE 4751

1. IN COURSE OF SECRETARY SCHLESINGER'S MEETING WITH MINDEF VREDELING ON NOV 5 AT 3:30, EMBASSY ANTICIPATES THAT VREDELING WOULD BE INTERESTED IN HEARING SECRETARY'S VIEWS REGARDING MILITARY ASPECTS OF MIDDLE EAST CRISIS, PARTICULARLY WHAT LESSONS OF MODERN WARFARE CAN BE DRAWN FROM THE COURSE OF THE FIGHTING. (THE DUTCH MILITARY HAVE A STUDY OF THIS UNDERWAY.)

2. VREDELING MIGHT ASK FOR AN ELABORATION OF SECRETARY'S STATEMENT AT HIS PRESS CONFERENCE OCT 26 THAT US "WILL INVESTIGATE ALL ASPECTS OF THE RESPONSIVENESS OF VARIOUS COUNTRIES IN THIS (MIDDLE EAST) CRISIS AND WILL TAKEN THEM INTO CONSIDERATION IN THE FUTURE."

3. WITH NETHS SERIOUSLY AFFECTED BY ARABS' OIL EMBARGO, WHICH DIRECTLY AFFECTS OTHER EUROPEAN ALLIES AS WELL AS RESULT OF ROTTERDAM'S ROLE AS PETROLEUM PROCESSING AND DISTRIBUTION CENTER, VREDELING MIGHT POINT TO MILITARY IMPLICATIONS OF OIL  
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SHORTAGE AND INQUIRE WHETHER US IS PREPARED TO ASSIST IN

MEETING ALLIES' OIL NEEDS.

4. WE WOULD RECOMMEND THAT SECRETARY TAKE THE INITIATIVE IN RAISING THE SUBJECT OF THE CURRENT NATO STUDIES OF MILITARY SPECIALIZATION, AND ASK VREDELING FOR HIS REACTION TO THE PROGRESS OF THESE STUDIES WHICH BEAR ON REPLACEMENT BY THE DUTCH OF THEIR F-104S, HONEST JOHN MISSILES AND THEIR LONG RANGE MARITIME PATROL AIRCRAFT. IN THIS CONTECT, SECRETARY ALSO MIGHT ASK VREDELING HOW THE DUTCH DEFENSE WHITE PAPER IS PROGRESSING AND WHAT DIRECTION IT IS TAKING. (THE PAPER IS DUE TO APPEAR AROUND END OF JANUARY 1974.)

5. WOULD APPRECIATE BEING ADVISED PRIOR TO COB NOV 2 WHO, IN ADDITION TO AMBASSADOR GOULD, SECRETARY SCHLESINGER WOULD LIKE TO ACCOMPANY HIM ON CALL ON VREDELING. SUGGEST THAT GROUP BE KEPT AS SMALL AS FEASIBLE.  
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